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Applicants: MAKINO et al

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

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Commissioner For Patents

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June 20, 2007

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2007. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.